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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/010763		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 24 September 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 30 October 2003					
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A SHEET METAL PLATE, IN PARTICULAR OF STEEL, FOR THE								
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Erik HILFRICH								
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